

## Iowa General Assembly

STATEHOUSE Des Moines, IA 50319

August 4, 2020

Dubuque City Council Roy Buol, Mayor Kevin Firnstahl, City Clerk 50 W. 13th St. Dubuque, IA 52001

Dear City Council Members:

We write today to urge the Dubuque City Council to respond favorably to the plea of members of the Dubuque Community School Board by instituting a City-wide mask or face-covering requirement to reduce and reverse the rate of COVID-19 infection in the City. We suggest that the policy remain in place until the disaster emergency declaration is lifted.

We reach out to you in response to the governor's proclamation of July 17, in which the governor "directs that all state agencies, school districts and other local governmental bodies and agencies shall take all efforts to prepare to safely welcome back students and teachers to school in-person this fall."

We remain committed to working with you to ensure the health and safety of our mutual constituents. We look forward to hearing from you regarding how we can assist in the successful promotion and implementation of a face-covering policy for the City of Dubuque.

Thank you for your attention and prompt consideration.

Sincerely,

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State Senator Pam Jochum Iowa Senate District 50

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